

Placing of Statement of Expenditure authorised by Government

Mr. P. V. Raphael (*Comptroller of Finance and Accounts*): Sir, under Rule 58 of the Legislative Council Rules, I beg to place the following statement of expenditure authorised by Government under section 28 (1) (c) of the Government of Cochin Act, 1113.

39 Miscellaneous—Miscellaneous and Unforeseen charges Rs. 3,000—For urgent flood relief measures.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

1. 2—A-1—Agriculture—T. A. Ordinary

Mr. Parambi Lonappen (*Minister for Rural Development*): Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 500 under "2—A-1—Agriculture—T. A. Ordinary."

The allotment sanctioned in the budget 1120 under the above head is Rs. 3,240 and out of this Rs. 2,600 has been spent by 15th Medam leaving a balance of Rs. 640 only for the remaining months of the year. This is found quite insufficient for the rest of the year. The Director of Agriculture had to go on tour to Delhi, Madras and Trivandrum to attend a few Committee meetings there. These tours were not anticipated while the budget of the current year was prepared. An additional allotment of Rs. 500 is necessary under the above head to meet the expenditure.

Demand put and carried

2. 2-A-2—Farm Operations—Miscellaneous

Mr. Parambi Lonappen (*Minister for Rural Development*): Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 150—under "2—A-2—Farm Operations—Miscellaneous".

A monthly grant of Rs. 25 has been sanctioned to the Vegetable and Dairy Produce Co-operative Society, Trichur. There is no definite provision in the current year's budget for the payment of the grant to the society. The society started work in Makaram 1120. An additional allotment of Rs. 150 is, therefore, necessary for payment of grant this year.

Demand put and carried

3. "2—A-5 (b) Public Gardens—Other charges"

4. "2—A-5 (c) Gardens attached to residential quarters—Other charges"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen (*Minister for Rural Development*): Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 50—"2—A-5 (b) Public Gardens—Other charges" and also to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 150—"2—A-5 (c) Gardens attached to residential quarters—other charges".

The amounts distributed for the maintenance of the gardens at Trichur out of the allotments sanctioned for the gardens for the current year are found to be insufficient to meet the requirements of the current year. The main reasons for the increase in expenditure, are high cost of manure, increased rate of wages, and cultivation of vegetable crops. The sale proceeds from these crops will result in corresponding increase in receipts also. Under the circumstances additional allotments of Rs. 50 under "2—A-5 (b) Public Gardens—Other charges" and Rs. 150 under "2—A-5 (c) gardens attached to Residential quarters—other charges" are necessary.

Demands put and carried

5. 3—A—Village Panchayats—Service labels

Mr. Parambi Lonappen (*Minister for Rural Development*): I rise to move for an additional grant of Rs. 500 under "3—A—Village Panchayats—Service labels".

The allotment for service labels under "3—A—Village Panchayats" will not be sufficient to purchase stamps for the Office of the Director of Panchayats and the offices of Panchayat Overseers and Inspectors. An additional allotment of Rs. 500 is therefore necessary for the purchase of service labels.

Demand put and carried

6. 19—Sanitation and Conservancy—Cleaning charges (Cranganur)

7. 19—Sanitation and Conservancy—Dearness Allowance (Cranganur)

Mr. Parambi Lonappen (*Minister for Rural Development*): I rise to move for an additional grant of Rs. 253—8—0 under "19—Sanitation and Conservancy—Cleaning charges